

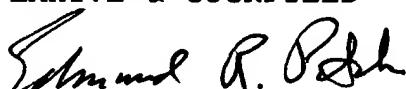
Applicants claim priority under 35 USC 120 of parent application 315,342 filed February 23, 1989. That application currently is pending. The CIP status of this application is set forth as a separate paragraph on page 1 of the application as filed.

Responsive to the requirement for restriction, applicants hereby provisionally elect the invention of group II, including claims 20 through 34, drawn to method for manufacturing a matrix for implantation, classified in class 530, subclass 412.

An Information Disclosure Statement was forwarded to the Patent and Trademark Office on this application on January 25, 1990. As of February 15, the receipt postcard had not been received. It is respectfully requested that if the Examiner has not received the Information Disclosure Statement prior to issue of his first office action, he call the undersigned attorney so as to expedite delivery of the information.

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